## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY, INC., dba	) CASE NO. 07 CV 11386 (LAK) (GWG)
WESTLAND INDUSTRIES, and	)
PRACTICAL FINANCE CO., INC.,	)
Plaintiffs,	PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO COMPEL BURR & FORMAN LLP TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATION IN SUPPORT THEREOF
v.	)
MOSES STERN, aka MARK STERN; JOSHUA SAFRIN, FIRST REPUBLIC GROUP REALTY LLC, EPHRAIM FRENKEL, and LAND TITLE ASSOCIATES ESCROW,	) ) ) )
Defendants.	) ) )

Plaintiffs Amusement Industry, Inc. ("Amusement") and Practical Finance Co., Inc. (together, "plaintiffs") hereby move to compel Burr & Forman, LLP ("Burr Forman") to produce documents in response to the subpoena, dated March 6, 2008 (the "Subpoena"), served by plaintiffs on Burr Forman in the above-captioned action (the "Action"). Although Burr Forman is not a party to the Action, counsel for the Stern defendants is representing Burr Forman in connection with the Subpoena. As demonstrated below, Burr Forman has failed to produce any documents to date.

#### Summary of Dispute and Request for Relief

Plaintiffs' allegations concerning the underlying facts in the Action are straightforward: in June 2007, defendants Stern and Safrin, through their agent and attorney Friedman, solicited Amusement's participation in a real estate investment opportunity. That opportunity involved

Plaintiffs understand that Burr Forman is located in Georgia. However, in view of the discovery schedule in the Action, and because Burr Forman has advised that it delivered its responsive files to its New York counsel (who also is counsel to the Stern defendants), plaintiffs believed it would be more efficient to raise this motion pursuant to the Court's individual rules concerning discovery disputes.

defendants' purchase of a significant portfolio of shopping centers (the "Portfolio") from an entity known as Colonial Realty Limited Partnership. On June 29, 2007, Amusement contributed \$13 million to defendants' Portfolio purchase by wiring that amount to an escrow account maintained by defendant Land Title Associates Escrow at North Fork Bank, now known as Capital One ("Capital One").

Plaintiffs contend that defendants thereafter misappropriated plaintiffs' \$13 million without authorization. Indeed, records produced by Capital One in response to the Subpoena indicate that (i) on July 3, 2008, Amusement's \$13 million was transferred to a second account held in the name of First Republic Group Corp.; and (ii) on July 12, 2007 - one day before receiving what defendants contend was a purported authorization from Steven Alevy (defendants knew that Steven Alevy no authority to release the escrow) to release the escrow funds - some of Amusement's funds apparently were disbursed to Burr Forman. (Ex. B (NF/CAP1 00016).)<sup>2</sup>

The Subpoena seeks discovery of important evidence in the Action, including documents concerning the disbursement of Amusement's funds, and all debts owed by defendants, to Burr Forman. (Ex. B.)

By its terms, the Subpoena required a response by April 15, 2008. (Ex. B.) On April 18, Burr Forman notified plaintiffs that it would be (i) represented by counsel for the Stern defendants in connection with the Subpoena; and (ii) providing a copy of its file to such counsel. (Ex. C.) On May 6, plaintiffs requested that Burr Forman produce its documents, or forward them to counsel. (Ex. D.) On May 14, Burr Forman advised that, only two days earlier, it had sent its file to counsel for the Stern defendants. (Ex. E.) On May 23, plaintiffs requested that counsel produce the Burr Forman file by May 28. (Ex. F.) Counsel responded that the May 28

Capital One produced the documents annexed as Exhibit B without Bates stamps. For identification purposes, plaintiffs have affixed Bates numbers.

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"deadline is not well taken," and refused to provide a date as to when documents would be forthcoming. (Ex. G.)

Plaintiffs' right to relief here is plain. Plaintiffs properly have issued and served a lawful Subpoena on Burr Forman seeking documents that are relevant to the Action. This Court noted as much at the March 28, 2008 hearing on defendants' motion to quash plaintiffs' subpoenas (which the Court denied): "the subpoenas addressed to the disbursement of the proceeds that are in issue here are patently relevant." (Ex. H.) Counsel for the Stern defendants apparently has the Burr Forman documents, but has refused to produce them. See F.R.C.P. 45(d) (duties of party in responding to subpoena).

As the Court may recall, this is not the first time that counsel for the Stern defendants has employed evasive and obstructive tactics to resist and avoid discovery herein. In fact, on March 26, the same counsel filed an order to show cause seeking to quash the nonparty subpoenas issued by plaintiffs (and by defendant Safrin), including particularly the Burr Forman Subpoena. As noted, on March 28, the Court denied this motion. Now, that same counsel is refusing to produce the very discovery his motion to quash unsuccessfully sought to avoid.<sup>3</sup> Such gamesmanship is unacceptable.

Accordingly, and in view of the tight discovery schedule in the Action, plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court order Burr Forman and its counsel promptly to (i) produce all responsive documents, and (ii) reimburse plaintiffs the attorneys' fees incurred in making this

Counsel used similar evasive tactics in connection with the Stern defendants' document production, which resulted in plaintiffs filing a motion to compel on April 29, 2008. On May 2, 2008, the Court granted plaintiffs' motion.

application to address the Burr Forman and counsel's baseless conduct.4

DATED: June 9, 2008

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Marc D. Youngelson, Esq. One Rockefeller Plaza New York, NY 10020 Telephone: (212) 643-7000

Attorneys for plaintiffs

Marc D. Youngelson, Esq., under penalty of perjury, hereby certifies that annexed hereto are true and correct copies of (i) documents bearing Bates Nos. NF/CAP1 00012 and NF/CAP1 00016-18, which were produced by Capital One (Ex. A); (ii) the Subpoena (Ex. B); (iii) an April 18, 2008 letter from Burr Forman to plaintiffs' Georgia counsel (Ex. C); (iv) A May 6, 2008 letter from plaintiffs' counsel to Burr Forman (Ex. D); (v) a May 14, 2008 letter from Burr Forman to plaintiffs' counsel (Ex. E); (vi) a May 23, 2008 letter from Allen Sragow to Stephen Stern (Ex. F); (vii) a May 27, 2008 letter from Stephen Stern to Allen Sragow (Ex. G); and (vii) relevant pages from the transcript of the March 28, 2008 hearing concerning defendants' motion to quash plaintiffs' Rule 45 subpoenas (Ex. H).

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

EXECUTED ON: June 9, 2008

Marc D. Youngelson

In view of its failure to respond, plaintiffs submit that Burr Forman has waived any objections to the Subpoena, including privilege.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

DACIA C. COCARIU hereby certifies under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746 that on June <u>4</u>, 2008, I caused to be served by hand delivery upon the party listed below, a true and correct copy of the within Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel Burr & Forman, LLP to Produce Documents and Certification Thereof.

Stephen R. Stern, Esq. Hoffinger Stern & Ross, LLP 150 East 58th Street, 19th Floor New York, NY 10155

Dated: New York, New York

June 9, 2008

# **EXHIBIT A**

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### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY, INC., a California corporation dba WESTLAND INDUSTRIES; PRACTICAL FINANCE, CO., INC., a California corporation,

#### Plaintiff,

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MOSES STERN, an individual aka MARK STERN, JOSHUA SAFRIN, an individual; FIRST REPUBLIC GROUP REALTY LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, EPHRAIM FRENKEL, an individual; LAND TITLE ASSOCIATES ESCROW, a New York limited company,

#### Defendant.

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CASE NO. 07 CV 11586 PENDING IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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#### SCHEDULE A

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- 1. The terms "document" and "communication" as used herein are as defined by the United States District Court Southern District of New York Local Rule 26.3.
- (a) The full text of the definitions and rules of construction set forth in paragraphs (c) and (d) is deemed incorporated by reference into all discovery requests. No discovery request shall use broader definitions or rules of construction than those set forth in paragraphs (c) and (d). This rule shall not preclude (1) the definition of other terms specific to the particular litigation, (2) the use of abbreviations, or (3) a more narrow definition of a term defined in paragraph (c).
- (b) This rule is not intended to broaden or narrow the scope of discovery permitted by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
  - (c) The following definitions apply to all discovery requests:
- (1) Communication. The term "communication" means the transmittal of information (in the form of facts, ideas, inquiries or otherwise).
- (2) Document. The term "document" is defined to be synonymous in meaning and equal in scope to the usage of this term in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 34(a), including, without limitation, electronic or computerized data compilations. A draft or non-identical copy is a separate document within the meaning of this term.
- (3) Identify (with respect to persons). When referring to a person, "to identify" means to give, to the extent known, the person's full name, present or last known address, and when referring to a natural person, additionally, the present or last known place of employment. Once a person has been identified in accordance with this subparagraph, only the name of that person need be listed in response to subsequent discovery requesting the identification of that person.
- (4) Identify (with respect to documents). When referring to documents, "to identify" means to give, to the extent known, the (i) type of document; (ii) general subject matter; (iii) date of the document; and (iv) author(s), addressee(s) and recipient(s).

- (5) Parties. The terms "plaintiff" and "defendant" as well as a party's full or abbreviated name or a pronoun referring to a party mean the party and, where applicable, its officers, directors, employees, partners, corporate parent, subsidiaries or affiliates. This definition is not intended to impose a discovery obligation on any person who is not a party to the litigation.
- (6) Person. The term "person" is defined as any natural person or any business, legal or governmental entity or association.
- (7) Concerning. The term "concerning" means relating to, referring to, describing, evidencing or constituting.
  - (d) The following rules of construction apply to all discovery requests:
    - (1) All/Each. The terms "all" and "each" shall be construed as all and each.
- (2) And/Or. The connectives "and" and "or" shall be construed either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of the discovery request all responses that might otherwise be construed to be outside of its scope.
  - (3) Number. The use of the singular form of any word includes the plural and vice versa.
- 2. The term "YOU", "YOUR" or "YOURS" as used herein, refers to BURR FORMAN LLP.
- The term "STERN" as used herein, refers to the Defendant in this action, MOSES 3. STERN, an individual aka MARK STERN, and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such person.
- The term "SAFRIN" as used herein, refers to the Defendant in this action, 4. JOSHUA SAFRIN, an individual, and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such person.
- The term "FIRST REPUBLIC LLC" as used herein, refers to the Defendant in this action, FIRST REPUBLIC GROUP REALTY LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such entity.

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of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such person.

- The term "LAND ESCROW" as used herein, refers to the Defendant in this action, 7. LAND TITLE ASSOCIATES ESCROW, a New York limited liability company, and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such entity.
- 8. The term "FIRST CORP" as used herein, refers to First Republic Group, Corp., a New York corporation, and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such entity.
- The term "CITIGROUP" as used herein, refers to Citigroup Global Markets Realty 9. Corp., and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such entity.
- 10. The term "COLONIAL" as used herein, refers to Colonial Realty Limited Partnership, and to each person who, with respect to the subject matter of the request, was or is acting on behalf of such entity.
- The term "FIDELITY" as used herein, refers to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE 11. INSURANCE COMPANY.
- Documents responsive to the requests for production below include any responsive emails and other forms of communication in electronic format that exist, in accordance with F.R.C.P. 34(b), which must be produced in their native electronic format, meaning in the electronic file format in which the subpoenaed party maintains and retains them.

#### REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION

- 1. Documents concerning monies received by YOU from STERN, FIRST CORP, SAFRIN, FIRST REPUBLIC LLC, FRENKEL, LAND ESCROW or FIDELITY during the period of June 29, 2007 through July 31, 2007.
- 2. Documents concerning YOUR involvement in the negotiation, sale or purchase of shopping centers from COLONIAL to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.
- 3. Documents concerning debts owed to YOU by STERN, SAFRIN, FIRST CORP or FIRST REPUBLIC LLC's any payments made to YOU thereon.
- 4. Documents concerning monies received by YOU from any escrow or escrow agent in 2007 related to STERN, FIRST CORP or to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC's purchase of shopping centers from COLONIAL.
- 5. Documents of communication with any escrow or escrow agent in 2007 related to STERN, FIRST CORP, SAFRIN or FIRST REPUBLIC LLC.
- 6. Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, STERN, FIRST CORP, SAFRIN, FIRST REPUBLIC LLC, FRENKEL, LAND ESCROW or FIDELITY concerning the sale and purchase of shopping centers from COLONIAL to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.
- 7. Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, any escrow or escrow agent related to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC's purchase of shopping centers from COLONIAL in 2007.
- 8. Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, STERN, FIRST CORP, SAFRIN, FIRST REPUBLIC LLC, FRENKEL, LAND ESCROW or FIDELITY concerning a loan from CITIGROUP to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.

- Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, the law firm of Buchanan,
   Ingersoll & Rooney PC, or any attorney therein, concerning the sale of shopping
   centers by COLONIAL to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.
- 10. Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, the law firm of Herrick, Feinstein LLP, or any attorney therein, concerning the sale of shopping centers by COLONIAL to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.
- 11. Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, Avery Egert, concerning the sale of shopping centers by COLONIAL to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.
- 12. Documents sent by YOU to, and received by YOU from, Steven Alevy or Bankers Capital LLC, concerning the sale of shopping centers by COLONIAL to FIRST REPUBLIC LLC in 2007.
- Documents concerning the sources of funds obtained or used by FIRST REPUBLIC LLC to purchase shopping centers from COLONIAL in 2007.
- 14. Documents which mention either Plaintiff herein, AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY, INC., a California corporation dba WESTLAND INDUSTRIES or PRACTICAL FINANCE CO., INC., a California corporation, including as abbreviated (such as "Arnusement" or "Westland").
- 15. Documents concerning the entry by STERN, FIRST CORP, SAFRIN or FIRST REPUBLIC LLC into negotiations or agreements with either Plaintiff herein.

### PROOF OF SERVICE

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COUNTY OF	FLOS ANGELES ss.
I am e party to the w 90805.	imployed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a rithin action. My business address is 6665 Long Beach Blvd., Suite B-22, Long Beach, CA
On Ap DUCES TEC	oril 4, 2008, I served the foregoing document(s) described as: NOTICE OF SUBPOENA UM, thereof, on interested parties:
XX	BY MAIL - by placing a true and correct copy thereof enclosed in an addressed envelope as follows:
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with the firm's	ed such envelope to be deposited in the mail at Long Beach, California. I am readily familiar is practice of collection and processing mail. It is picked up by a postal courier on that same inary course of business.
·	BY PERSONAL SERVICE - by delivering true and correct copies thereof by hand delivery to the persons at the following address:
XX	STATE - I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.
<b>Д.Д.</b> Ундикальная перанция	FEDERAL - I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.
Executed Apr	il 4, 2008 at Long Beach, California.

## **EXHIBIT C**

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April 18, 2008

#### **YIA E-MAIL AND U.S. MAIL**

Jill Warner, Esq. Kilpatrick, Stockton, LLP 1100 Peachtree Street Suite 2800 Atlanta, GA 30309-4530

: Amusement Industry, Inc., et al. vs Moses Stern, et al.

Case No: 07-CV-11586

Pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of

New York

Dear Ms. Warner:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm our agreement regarding a subpoena issued by your firm out of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division with respect to the above-referenced matter.

My firm provided local opinion representation for First Republic Group Realty, LLC, in a transaction in the summer of 2007.

For purposes of the subpoena, we have agreed my firm will send a copy of my firm's file from that representation to Stephen R. Stern, Esq., counsel for First Republic Group Realty, LLC in the underlying litigation in New York. Mr. Stern and his firm, on behalf of their client, can review the file and advise which documents to produce and as to which documents to assert attorney client or work product objections.

We authorize Mr. Stern to deal directly with the counsel for Amusement Industry, Inc., and Practical Finance Company in the underlying litigation in New York as to any disputes over which documents are to be produced or withheld and will supply a privilege log if necessary.

We have agreed this will resolve my firm's obligation under this subpoena. I will send you a copy of my transmittal letter.

I hasten to add that we do preserve our right to object to the subpoena and any portion thereof on the basis of privilege or for any other appropriate and legal reason.

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We have agreed to no specific deadline for the objections or the responses and anticipate that Mr. Stem and his firm will contact you to arrive at a firm date.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael Lucas

MLL/rhs

cc: Stephen R. Stern, Esq.

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## **EXHIBIT D**

### **SRAGOW & SRAGOW**

LAW OFFICES 6665 LONG BEACH BOULEVARD, SUITE B22 LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA 9080S **TELEPHONE (310) 639-0782** FACSIMILE (310) 639-7210

May 6, 2008

Michael L. Lucas Burr Forman LLP 171 17th St., NW, Suite 1100 Atlanta, GA 30363

> Re: Amusement v Stern et al

Dear Mr. Lucas:

We have not received any response to a subpoena that was served on Burr Forman LLP on April 7, 2008. As you may recall, you agreed in a letter, dated April 18, 2008, to forward your firm's file to Mr. Stern so he and his firm can advise you as to which documents to produce and which documents to affirm as privileged. We have not heard anything from Mr. Stern on this. Please either direct Mr. Stern to pass along your production, or produce the documents as sought in the subpoena.

Very truly yours,

Allen P, Sragow

cc: Marc D. Youngelson, Sills Cummis & Gross, P.C. Jill Warner, Kilpatrick Stockton, LLP Stephen Stern, Hoffinger, Stern & Ross, LLP

## **EXHIBIT E**

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May 14, 2008

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Allen P. Sragow Sragow & Sragow 6665 Long Beach Blvd.; Suite B22 Long Beach, California 90805

Re: Amusement v. Stern et al

Dear Mr. Sragow:

On Monday, May 12, 2008, we forwarded a copy of our file to Mr. Stern, pursuant to our earlier agreement. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Michael L. Lucas

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Stephen Stern Jill Warner

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### **SRAGOW & SRAGOW**

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## VIA ELECTRONIC AND REGULAR MAIL

May 23, 2008

Stephen R. Stern Hoffinger, Stern & Ross, LLP 150 East 58<sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10155

Re: Amusement v Stern et al

Dear Mr. Stern:

We received a letter, dated May 14, 2008, from Michael Lucas, at Burr Forman, LLP, that a copy of their file on Mark Stern was forwarded to your office. Since this file was sent to you in connection to a subpoena that we served on Burr Forman, LLP, please forward it to our office by no later than May 28, 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Very truly yours,

Allen P. Sragow

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## **EXHIBIT G**

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MICHAEL J. SHERMAN MANA W. GEISLER

May 27, 2008

Allen P. Sragow, Esq. Sragow & Sragow 6665 Long Beach Blvd., Suite B-22 Long Beach, California 90805

Re: Stern - Alevy (Burr-Foreman)

Dear Mr. Sragow:

I have your letter of Friday evening last before the Memorial Day weekend.

It is important, at the outset, to note the voluminous correspondence transmitted to and received by either your office or your co-counsel's office with respect to the irregularities, errors and delays encountered by all parties in connection with responses to discovery coming from your offices prior to receipt of last Friday's evenings letter; and, yet, in the details of the voluminous letters our clients have never demanded or even requested that already late discovery should be produced by your offices by a date certain. Instead, given the promises your respective offices have made regarding late discovery produced by you, we have abided the event.

Thus, your deadline is not well taken. Nevertheless, our firm will continue to endeavor to produce what is available on as current a basis as possible subject, of course, to all applicable rules and privileges.

Stephen R. Stern

SRS:11 BY FACSIMILE & US MAIL

cc: Mark W. Geisler, Esq.

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**EXHIBIT H** 

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1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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3	AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY INC., et ano.,
4 5	Plaintiff,
6	v. 07 CIV. 11586 (LAK)
7	MOSES STERN, et al.,
8	Defendants.
9	X
10	March 28, 2008
11	Before:
	HON. LEWIS A. KAPLAN,
12	District Judge
13	APPEARANCES
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15	SILLS, CUMMIS & GROSS  Attorneys for Plaintiff  BY: PHILIP R. WHITE
16	HOFFINGER, STERN & ROSS, L.L.P.
17	Attorneys for Defendants Stern, Frenkel, First Republic and Land Associates
18	BY: STEPHEN R. STERN
19	FLEMMING, ZULACK, WILLIAMSON, ZAUDERER, L.L.P. Attorneys for Defendant Safrin
20	BY: JONATHAN D. LUPKIN
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time which is why we decided to do them early in the process.

And, to the extent that we haven't given -- I don't understand about the use of proceeds argument that Mr. Stern is making exactly, but in the initial disclosures that we made in which we did not produce categories of documents but instead produced several, I don't know, a large pile of actual documents that we think are relevant, among them with several closing statements that don't reconcile with each other. And so, we are trying to figure out what that's about.

At heart there is an awful lot of -- and I think Mr. Stern alluded to it, allegations that are going to come of patent dishonesty among these people and these documents are relevant to those allegations. And if we are going to get to where somebody says very quickly the note, the assignment and whatever, are actually enforceable valid documents, then this case will be very quick, your Honor, because they're in default and we are entitled to foreclose on those assets and we will be the observers very quickly.

But, I suspect that when we come around to that point we are not going to hear this is a case only about a note and an assignment of collateral, we are going to hear it is a massive fraud and conspiracy case and I'm trying to get to the bottom of that quickly because we don't have a lot of time.

THE COURT: Okay. All right.

I was presented last week with a proposed order to

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Mr. Safrin.

show cause to quash, modify, limit and/or enjoin approximately 37, plus or minus -- 38 subpoenas, actually, served by the plaintiff on non-party witnesses. The proposed order to show cause was presented on behalf of the defendants other than

Rather than go through the time consuming and wasteful exercise of having lots of papers prepared, I invited counsel to come in today and we have just heard argument on the matter and I am going to treat the motion set out in the order to show cause as having been made and I deny it.

First of all, I am completely unpersuaded by the movant's contention that discovery ought to go forward only as among the parties initially and that all discovery against non-party witnesses be deferred. That just doesn't make any sense to me and it seems also perfectly apparent, first, that there are relevant documents that quite likely that are in the hands of non-parties that are not in the hands of the parties and, in all the circumstances of this case, issues as to whether some potentially relevant documents that are or were in the hands of some parties may, for one reason or another, simply not turn up in discovery among the parties. So, I just decline altogether to accept the assertion about the order of discovery.

Secondly, I think the assertion that there is some horrible threat of irreparable harm if discovery proceeds

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against Jones LaSalle and Citibank is, first of all, unsupported by any substantive showing, highly speculative, and a kind of the-sky-is-falling argument. I see nothing to it, at least at this point.

Thirdly, I think that the subpoenas addressed to the disbursement of the proceeds that are in issue here are patently relevant. I simply reject the contrary argument. And, the long and the short of it is that I don't see any persuasive basis on the part of the moving defendants to suggest or to lead me to the conclusion that the discovery sought is not relevant in the broad scope of that term as defined in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

If and to whatever extent there are legitimate concerns about confidentiality, they are readily resolved by the parties that are entering into the standard form of confidentiality order which could readily contemplate the designation of confidential materials that are of concern to non-party witnesses as confidential under the terms of the order. And, I would be perfectly prepared to sign the normal form order. And so, the motion is denied. I do say, also, however, that this is without prejudice to whatever arguments might be raised on behalf of particular non-party witnesses who have not been heard and to whatever objections they might have to the subpoenas, and I do expect that the parties will be reasonably accommodating of the interests of the non-party

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1	witnesses with respect to resolving questions of scheduling the
2	level of burden entailed by whatever searches are necessary to
3	comply and the like.
4	Anything else we can accomplish this morning?
5	MR. WHITE: Not on behalf of the plaintiffs, your
6	Honor. Thank you.
7	THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.
8	MR. LUPKIN: Thank you very much.
9	MR. STERN: Thank you, your Honor.
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